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TAGS: PGEN, CA, MPOL

SUBJECT: CANADIAN POSITION ON LTDP

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- 1. EXTAFF DEPUTY UNDERSECRETARY GOLDSCHLAG TELLS ME THAT TRUDEAU REGISTERED U.S. POINTS MADE THIS AFTERNOON (REFTEL), AND PASSES BACK MESSAGE THAT HE WOULD BE GLAD TO TALK TO THE PRESIDENT ABOUT IT, OR EVEN COME DOWN TO MEET HIM FOR SEVERAL HOURS. GOLDSCHLAG SAID MEANWHILE CANADIANS WOULD BE CONTENT TO LEAVE THINGS AS THEY ARE (I.E., WITHOUT WITHDRAWING HARDY'S DRAFT). HE REMAINS CONFIDENT U.S. WILL GET MORE BY CANADIAN THAN BY PROGRAMMATIC APPROACH.
- 2. ACTION RECOMMENDED: SINCE TRUDEAU'S WHOLE ARGUMENT IS THAT NATO SHOULDN'T DO ITS BUSINESS "FROM BOTTOM UP," BUT FROM "TOP DOWN," QUICKEST AND MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO GET HIM TO BACK DOWN WOULD BE TELEPHONE CALL FROM PRESIDENT. LETTER I COULD CARRY IN IS SECOND OPTION, CONFIDENTIAL

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PERHAPS BEST AS A SUPPORTING PLAY. PROPOSAL FOR A MEETING MAY BE RELATED TO TRUDEAU'S SUDDEN POLITICAL NOSEDIVE, AS WELL AS TO A CHARACTERISTIC DESIRE TO ARGUE THROUGH HIS THEORY OF HOW NATO SHOULD OPERATE. ENDERS

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